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FATAL TRAFFIC CRASH INVESTIGATION UPDATE

On July 25th, 2023, Darion Wheeler, age 20 of Freeport, was served with a felony arrest warrant in connection with a March 30th, 2023 traffic crash which occurred in the area of N. Davis Rd. and E. Walnut Grove Rd in rural Davis and resulted in the death of Daniel Fry. At the time of the warrant service, Darion Wheeler was already in-custody at the Stephenson County Jail on other charges.

The Stephenson County Sheriff's Office would like to acknowledge the invaluable assistance that was provided during this investigation by the following; Illinois State Police Traffic Crash Reconstruction Unit, Illinois State Police Division of Forensic Services, Stephenson County Coroner's Office, and the Stephenson County State's Attorney's Office. The Sheriff's Office would also like to extend our sincerest appreciation to the family and friends of Daniel Fry for their patience and understanding during the duration of this investigation.



ACCUSED: Darion L. Wheeler AGE: 20 CITY/STATE OF RESIDENCE: Freeport, IL

Warrant# 23CF182 Count #1: Aggravated DUI Drugs – Accident Involving Death Count #2: DUI Drugs

Bond: \$1,000,000 - 10% applies

The public is reminded that the defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial, at which the government has the burden of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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